

MY BODY—TEMPLE OF GOD

1 Cor 6:18-20

Questions I need to ask:

Expedient (best)?

Bring me under its power (enslave)?

13. God made my body for His glory

14. Don't you realize--you became part of body of Christ?

We are privileged! Honored!

15. Abhorred at thought of Jesus being involved immorally

Equally abhorred – yourselves involved in fornication

16. When man and woman come together, sexually--joined

Joined: glued together into one piece. Genesis 2:24

Goal for married couple--total intimacy

How old before date/court?

When understand and apply:

1. Principle of authority.

2. Biblical convictions.

3. Purpose in relationship

Dating: Oneness of spirit.

Engagement: Oneness of soul

Marriage: Oneness of body, soul, spirit. Intimacy. Hebrews 13:4

Most marriages that break up --- couples immoral in relationship before wedding

17 Union of spirit.

Union with Christ much more intimate... than union between a man a woman.

1 Corinthians 6:18 ¹⁸*Flee fornication.* Run away from it and keep running.

... he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

Sin of fornication has immediate effect on whole body.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 Principle of ownership.

Not your own.

Body doesn't belong to you. It is God's!

Purchased with blood of Jesus.

Temple: inner sanctuary of holy of holies.

Most holy place where God dwelt. Mt 21:13; Jn 2:19

which ye have of God, God gave Holy Spirit to you

and ye are not your own? You not owner of your body.

Ownership is God.

1 Corinthians 6:20...bought with a price:

Purchased out of market place of sin.

Set free from chains of sin and death by blood of Christ. 1 Peter 1:18-19
therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Since body is temple...since purchased out of market place of sin...

1. In your body: physical realm.

Context: by not getting involved in fornication-immorality!

By keeping your body pure.

2. In your spirit: attitude. Unseen part of a person

Mighty in spirit:

Sensing God's presence

Recognizing promptings of Spirit

Understanding deeper things of God

Discerning wrong trends or attitudes and ideas in others

Motivating others

Victorious over sin.

SO WHAT?

Commitment:

1. Glorify God in body. Purity, separation, moral purity.
2. Glorify God in spirit. Inner man, attitude, worship,

Couples: oneness – intimacy of spirit

Spirit: worship

Soul: communication

Body: physical

Teens: Dating: spiritual (save yourself for your mate!)

Engagement: soul (save yourself for your mate!)

Marriage: body, soul, spirit.